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## **FRANKFORT MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

INDIANAPOLIS - Jesus Hernandez Balderas, 39, Frankfort, Indiana, was charged today with possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine, a Schedule II, Non-Narcotic Controlled Substance, announced Timothy M. Morrison, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Indiana, following an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Indiana State Police.

The indictment alleges that Balderas was arrested on October 6, 2009, by the Indiana State Police during a routine traffic stop when it was discovered that Balderas possessed methamphetamine.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Melanie C. Conour, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Balderas faces a maximum of life imprisonment and a \$4,000,000.00 fine. An initial hearing will be scheduled for in the near future before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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